

Vernon Area Public Library

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Library classes, performances, and events are free and open to all unless otherwise indicated.

A hearing loop is available in library Meeting Room; audio enhancement available at most programs.

An ASL interpreter is available for any library program; please give us advance notice to arrange.

Photos and videos may be taken during programs. If you do not wish for you or your child to be photographed, please notify staff.



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Find books, e-books, audiobooks, movies, music, video games, and other materials available for checkout or download at search.vapld.info. Log in with your library card number and PIN (usually the last four digits of your phone number) to place materials on hold.



Access Your Account

Renew, check the status of items on hold, build wish lists. Use your library card number and PIN (usually the last four digits of your phone number) to log in at vapld.info/account, or through the **Vernon Library app**, found in your device's app store, or call 847-634-3650.



Get a Library Card

At the Checkout Desk: Residents, bring a photo ID showing your current address; property owners, business owners, and temporary residents, see vapld.info for ID requirements. Children under age 18 must be accompanied by their parent or legal guardian.

Online: Visit vapld.info/library-cards and fill out a short form. A temporary card number will be emailed to you within 2 business days and you may begin using it right away. Stop at the Checkout Desk within 30 days to pick up your card.



Book a Study Room

The library's study rooms accommodate four to six people. Reserve a room for up to two hours by calling the day before: 224-543-1485 (adult) or 224-543-1486 (youth). Study room reservations are limited to Vernon Area Public Library cardholders only.

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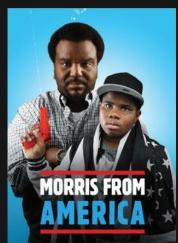
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Discover Kanopy, a treasure trove of award-winning films, international cinema, classics, and influential documentaries. Browse categories including Criterion Collection, New York Times critics' picks, Sundance, and short film. A kids' section includes story times, classic tales, and movies and TV for younger and older children.

Stream up to ten movies free every month with your Vernon Area Library card. Watch on your smart TV, tablet, smartphone, or computer using the free Kanopy app. Begin at vapld.info/movies-and-tv.

New programs: Maker Mondays

Create something of your own at the library. It's a great way to learn, use your imagination, and get hands-on with a variety of tools and materials. You might just find a new hobby. Look for **Maker Monday** events like manga art, bullet journal, and glass etching workshops. Find listings for grades K-5 on pages 7-8, for teens on pages 9-10, and adults on pages 13 and 17.

LIBRARY NEWS



Add “TEDx speaker” to your resume

Now in its fifth year, the TEDxVernonAreaLibrary is scheduled for Sunday, September 22. TEDx is an independently organized event that brings people together to share a TED-like experience—hearing thinkers and doers speak for 18 minutes or less on topics important here and now. If you have a big idea worth spreading, apply to be a speaker by Wednesday, May 1, at 12 PM. Info at tedx.vapld.info/speak.

TED fans: don't miss the 2019 broadcast on April 24 at the library: see listing, page 14.

Community Volunteer Fair

Stop in **Sunday, March 10, 1–3:30 PM**, to talk with representatives from local nonprofits and find out how you can use your time and talents to strengthen your community. There are volunteer opportunities for teens, too.

Participating organizations include: Beacon Place • Cradles to Crayons • Feed My Starving Children • give n kind • Habitat for Humanity • League of Women Voters • Midwest Veterans Closet • Moms Demand Action • Openlands • Pinta Pride Project • Special Recreation Association of Central Lake County / SRA SLC • Stand Strong Coalition • Village of Lincolnshire • Vernon Area Public Library • more at vapld.info/volunteerfair

Garden planting isn't long off

If you're already daydreaming about getting outside, mark your calendar for the morning of Saturday, June 1, when adults and children in grades K–5 will work alongside volunteer master gardeners to plant vegetables in the library garden. All summer long produce from the garden is donated to the Vernon Township food pantry to help neighbors in need. Sign up to receive garden updates: vapld.info/subscribe.

Charitable collections this spring

Look for these collections in the library lobby, near the Checkout Desk



Formal dresses & clutch purses

SUNDAY, FEB. 24–SUNDAY, MAR. 17

new or gently used • all sizes

For the Glass Slipper Project — making prom dreams come true



Old shoes & boots

FRIDAY, MAR. 22–SATURDAY, APR. 20

all sizes & kinds

(no snow boots, please)

For Reuse-a-Shoe — reuse or recycling



Non-perishable foods & personal hygiene products

YEAR-ROUND

Distributed by the Vernon Township Food Pantry — for neighbors in need



Baby Rhyme Storytime

0–14 months with an adult

Miss Kelsey guides you and your baby through research-based activities and books that promote reading readiness. Best for infants, crawlers, and beginning walkers. Siblings welcome.

TICKET REQUIRED

WEDNESDAYS • 9:30–10 AM OR 11–11:30 AM
MARCH 6, 13, APRIL 3, 10, 24, MAY 1, 8, 22

New Parents & Babies Playgroup

0–14 months with an adult

While tots play and socialize, adults meet other caregivers and chat with baby experts in this casual playdate between Baby Rhyme Storytimes. Check calendar.vapld.info for the expert of the week. **DROP IN**

WEDNESDAYS • 10–11 AM
MARCH 6, 13, APRIL 3, 10, 24, MAY 1, 8, 22

Wiggling Ones

12–24 months with an adult

Giggle, sing, and jam along with your toddler in this music- and movement-centered program led by Miss Heather. This is an active program; be prepared to move. Siblings welcome.

TICKET REQUIRED

TUESDAYS • 9:30–10 AM OR 10:30–11 AM
MARCH 5, 12, 19, APRIL 9, 16, 23, MAY 7, 14, 21

Together 2s & 3s

2 & 3 years with an adult

Share stories and learn sign language with Miss Sarah. Activities and books centered on a letter of the day help your child develop letter recognition. Siblings welcome. **TICKET REQUIRED**

MONDAYS • 9:30–10 AM OR 10:30–11 AM
MARCH 11, 18, 25, APRIL 8, 15, 22, MAY 6, 13, 20

Preschool Storytime

3–5 years without an adult

Children attend this storytime independently to help them get ready for school while the accompanying adult remains in the library. Adults join their children and Miss Emily at the end to sing the song of the day. **TICKET REQUIRED**

THURSDAYS • 10–10:30 AM OR 1:30–2 PM
MARCH 7, 14, 21, APRIL 4, 11, 18, MAY 2, 9, 16

Under Five Family Time

0–5 years with an adult

After a busy week, spend quality time with your family enjoying stories, rhymes, music, and themed crafts perfect for the pre-K crowd. Siblings welcome. **TICKET REQUIRED**

SATURDAYS • 10:30–11:15 AM
MARCH 2, APRIL 6, MAY 25

Tuck-Me-In Tales

0–6 years with an adult

Dress in pajamas, snuggle with your stuffy, and wind down from the day with books, songs, and rhymes. Siblings welcome. **TICKET REQUIRED**

TUESDAYS • 6:30–7 PM
MARCH 5, APRIL 16, MAY 14

Starry Night Storytime—new!

0–6 years with an adult

Bring your little star to an evening storytime sure to get out those last few wiggles. Siblings welcome. **TICKET REQUIRED**

THURSDAYS • 6–6:30 PM
MARCH 21, APRIL 4, MAY 30

EARLY LEARNING • AGES 0–PRE-K

Let's Learn Spanish

0–6 years with an adult

Get to know the language and cultures of Spanish-speaking countries in an all-ages, all-levels storytime filled with books, music, and movement. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 10–10:45 AM

A Taste of Storytime

0–5 years with an adult

The whole family is invited to this sampler of the library's weekday storytimes, plus coffee and donuts! Learn how early learning activities set the stage for your child's success. Siblings welcome. **TICKET REQUIRED**

SATURDAYS • 10–10:30 AM

MARCH 23, APRIL 20, MAY 18

Li'l Spring Fling

0–3 years with an adult

Dance off the winter blues and celebrate the coming of spring at this high-energy dance party. **TICKET REQUIRED**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 9:30–10 AM OR 10:30–11 AM

Little Yogis Storytime

3 years & up with an adult

Twist, bend, and stretch together in this kid-friendly yoga storytime. Please bring a yoga mat or towel. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 10–10:45 AM

Oaks & Acorns

0–4 years with an adult

This off-site storytime brings together your adorable kids and the seniors from the assisted living center to brighten everyone's day. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 10–11 AM

SUNRISE, 180 W. HALF DAY RD., BUFFALO GROVE



MUSIC FOR NEW PEOPLE – APRIL 13

Science Detectives

3–6 years with an adult

This book-inspired class encourages children to learn about the world through hands-on activities. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 1:30–2 PM OR 6:30–7 PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 1:30–2 PM OR 6:30–7 PM

Family Concert—Music for New People

all ages with an adult

Inspired by poet Shel Silverstein and alt-rock band They Might Be Giants, Music for New People gives a performance for the ears and the eyes. Experience this Chicago duo's cutting edge electronics, ukulele, and percussion. **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 11 AM–12 PM

Kindergarten Readiness

4–5 years with an adult

Give your pre-K child their strongest start by making sure they know teacher-recommended skills. A different skill each session, with plenty of time to practice. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 4:30–5 PM

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 4:30–5 PM

TICKET REQUIRED

Get free tickets at the library on the day of the event. First-come, first-served.

REGISTER

Registration required. Sign up at calendar.vapl.info or 224-543-1486.

DROP IN

No ticket or registration required.

Mini Math Magicians 3–5 years with an adult

Explore math concepts through books, games, and a craft. Siblings welcome; supplies limited to the age-appropriate child. **REGISTER**

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 11–11:30 AM

Parent Podcast Discussion—Baby Talk

Raising humans is challenging. Discussing an expert's opinion with other parents can help. Listen to the *Hidden Brain* podcast episode "Baby Talk: The Secret Language of Babies" and come ready to chat. The free podcast is available at npr.org/podcasts. Children welcome; toys provided. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 10–11:30 AM

Star Wars Day Storytime

0–5 years with an adult

Come dressed as your favorite Jedi or Sith Lord and enjoy an out-of-this-world storytime and activities. **TICKET REQUIRED**

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 10:30–11:15 AM

Sunshine Squad

0–5 years with an adult

Help build a better, more compassionate world. This diversity-focused storytime and craft help build social-emotional awareness to brighten your home, school, and community.

TICKET REQUIRED

FRIDAY, MAY 10, 10–10:45 AM

Family Concert—Little Miss Ann **all ages with an adult**

The former Chicago Public School teacher, Old Town School of Folk Music instructor, and Parent's Choice Award winner performs a lively, interactive show. **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 11 AM–12 PM



bump to baby expo

New and expecting parents: Find out what's new and tried-and-true in pregnancy, birth, and parenting children ages 0–2.

- Explore **local services, organizations and vendors** including daycare centers, doctors, networking groups and photographers
- Attend **5-minute Spark Talks** on parenting topics like a more comfortable pregnancy and delivery, newborn essentials, infant and toddler sleep, early milestones, and exploring Lake County with kids
- Have your **car seat checked and adjusted for safety** by the Lincolnshire Police
- Enter to win **raffle prizes** including gift certificates for pre- and postnatal fitness, baby gear from local mompreneurs and a variety of gift cards

For more info, visit vapld.info/bumptobaby

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 10 AM–12 PM • DROP IN

KIDS • GRADES K–5



EXPLORING GREAT ARTISTS—MONET – MARCH 12

Home on the Prairie with a Pioneer Woman grades K–5 with an adult

Naturalist Deb Krohn portrays Cissy, an Illinois pioneer from the 1850s. Learn how an early settler lived off the land, far from stores, doctors, and family. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 7–8 PM

Science Investigators grades 1–2

Stories, films, and hands-on activities for the budding scientist. **REGISTER** for each date separately.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 4:30–5:15 PM

&/OR WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 4:30–5:15 PM

Improv Playhouse presents *The Reluctant Dragon* grades K–5 with an adult

A poetry-loving dragon, a young boy, a knight, and a town on the brink. Improv Playhouse Theatre for Young Audiences gives an unexpected twist to Kenneth Grahame's timeless tale. **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 11 AM–12 PM

Exploring Great Artists—Monet grades K–5

Learn about the life and work of French artist Claude Monet and the style he pioneered, Impressionism. Then create an artwork of your own inspired by Monet's 1899 painting *Bridge Over a Pond of Water Lilies*. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

GRADES K–2 WITH AN ADULT • 4:30–5:30 PM

GRADES 3–5 • 7–8 PM

Introduction to Musical Instruments grades 2–5 with an adult

Stevenson High School marching band veteran Austin Yang and fellow musicians introduce your student to a variety of instruments. Children also get a chance to get their hands on an instrument or two. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 7–8 PM

K-9 Reading Buddies grades 1–5

A trained therapy dog listens patiently while your grade school student reads aloud, helping build confidence and encourage reading. **REGISTER** for a 15-minute appointment beginning 30 days before the program: call 224-543-1486 or sign up at the Youth Desk. Sorry, no online registration.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 6:15–7:30 PM & OR

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 6:15–7:30 PM

Write Away grades 3–5

Stretch your imagination and polish your writing in this creative workshop. Games and story starters launch your writing to new heights. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 4:30–5:30 PM

To **REGISTER**, go to calendar.vapl.info, call 224-543-1486, or visit any public service desk in the library.
Registration opens 30 days before each program.

Learn to Play Chess

grades K–5

Learn about pieces, moves, and rules, then begin playing. Sign up for this program -or- Chess Strategies & Tactics. [REGISTER](#)

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 4:30–5:30 PM

Chess Strategies & Tactics

grades 3–8

If you already know chess basics, this is a chance to learn and practice strategies to advance your game. Sign up for this program -or- Learn to Play Chess. [REGISTER](#)

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 7–8 PM

Lego Architects

grades K–5

Work through a challenge, then let your imagination run wild during free building time. Choose one session only, please.

[REGISTER](#)

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 3–4 PM OR 7–8 PM

Kid Market

all ages

The Meeting Room is transformed into a marketplace where young vendors sell their homemade goods. Stop by to shop their products. [DROP IN](#)

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 1–3 PM

STEAM Sphero Chariot Race / Maker Monday

grades 3–5

Learn about the chariot then build your own and race it around a track using a Sphero robot for horsepower. [REGISTER](#)

MONDAY, APRIL 8, 4:30–5:30 PM

Kids' Nonfiction Book Discussion

grades 3–5 with an adult

Learn how humans affect the oceans in a discussion of *Tracking Trash: Flotsam, Jetsam, and the Science of Ocean Motion* by Loree Griffin Burns. A copy of the book (yours to keep) is reserved when you [REGISTER](#).

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 7–8 PM

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all ages with an adult

Inspired by poet Shel Silverstein and alt-rock band They Might Be Giants, Music for New People gives a performance for the ears and the eyes. Experience this Chicago duo's cutting edge electronics, ukulele, and percussion. [REGISTER](#)

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 11 AM–12 PM

Science Sleuths

grades 3–4

Stories, films, and hands-on activities for the budding scientist. [REGISTER](#) for each date separately.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 4:30–5:30 PM

&/OR WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 4:30–5:30 PM

LEGO ARCHITECTS – MARCH 28



KIDS • GRADES K–5

Earth Day Celebration—Wildflower Garden grades K–5

Learn about the local ecosystem and native Illinois plants. Then make a wildflower seed ball to take home and toss in your garden. All materials provided. [REGISTER](#)

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

GRADES K–2 WITH AN ADULT • 4:30–5:30 PM
GRADES 3–5 • 7–8 PM

Manga Art Workshop / Maker Monday grades 3–5

Learn to draw manga. Artist Dan Laib explains the principles of realistic drawing and the correct proportions for manga design, then you create your own character. [REGISTER](#)

MONDAY, APRIL 29, 4:30–5:30 PM

Dragons Love Tacos & STEM grades K–2 with an adult

Participate in hands-on activities inspired by the beloved book by Adam Rubin. [REGISTER](#)

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 6:30–7 PM

Dinosaur Tales with the Dunn Museum grades K–2 with an adult

What makes an animal a dinosaur? What does a paleontologist do? A story and hands-on activities deliver answers. [REGISTER](#)

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 4:30–5:30 PM

Discovering Dinosaurs with the Dunn Museum grades 3–5

Why is there no fossil record of dinosaurs in our area? Uncover clues to the Mesozoic Era in Lake County while learning about the fascinating work of paleontologists. [REGISTER](#)

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 6–7 PM

Free Comic Book Day all ages

Today only. Limit 1 per person while supplies last. It's also Star Wars Day so after you've grabbed your comic, stay for a themed craft. [DROP IN](#)

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 9 AM UNTIL THEY'RE GONE!

Bridge-Building Workshop / Maker Monday grades K–2

Learn basic bridge concepts. Patrick McBriarty, author of picture books created to inspire future builders and engineers, reads aloud from *Drawbridges Open and Close* then leads an interactive bridge-building workshop. [REGISTER](#)

MONDAY, MAY 6, 4:30–5:30 PM

Lego Robotics grades K–5

Build and program interactive models using the Lego Education WeDo software in a hands-on program. [REGISTER](#)

TUESDAY, MAY 7

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SATURDAY, MAY 11, 11 AM–12 PM



LITTLE MISS ANN – MAY 11

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Registration opens 30 days before each program.



EXAM CRAM – MAY 18–22

Games for Grownups grades 9–12 & adults

A wide variety of games plus chess instruction. **DROP IN**

SUNDAYS • 12:30–4 PM
MARCH 3, 24, APRIL 28, MAY 5

Community Volunteer Fair grades 8 & up

See page 2 or visit vapld.info/volunteerfair.

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 1–3:30 PM • **DROP IN**

Learn to Bullet Journal / Maker Monday grades 6 & up

Local artist Audrey Ko guides you through this creative process. Learn the lingo and techniques, and get organized. All materials provided. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 7–8:30 PM

ACT or SAT Practice Exam grades 8–12

Take a free practice exam and receive a detailed score analysis within 10 days of testing. Specify ACT or SAT when you **REGISTER**.

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 10 AM–1:30 PM

Website Design for Social Change / Maker Monday grades 5–8

Stevenson High School's Girls in STEAM members lead beginners in developing a website for a product, service, or campaign that aims to bring about social change. **REGISTER**
MONDAY, MARCH 18, 6–8 PM

Off the Page: A Teen Book Club grades 8–12

Add your voice to the banter while enjoying frozen yogurt—the library's treat. A copy of the book (yours to keep) is reserved when you **REGISTER**.

MONDAYS, 7–8:15 PM

MARCH 18: *DEAR MARTIN* BY NIC STONE
APRIL 15: *THE REST OF US JUST LIVE HERE* BY PATRICK NESS
MENCHIE'S, 950-B MILWAUKEE AVE., LINCOLNSHIRE

Write Away grades 6–8

Stretch your imagination and polish your writing in this creative workshop. **REGISTER**

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STEAM Sphero Chariot Race / Maker Monday grades 6–8

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MONDAY, APRIL 8, 7–8 PM

Voices of Chicago: Poetry Slam grades 6 & up

Urban Gateways performers highlight Chicago's poetic heritage and showcase the diverse styles of contemporary slam poetry, ending with an interactive micro slam. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 7–8 PM

Silhouette Cameo: Custom Mugs grades 6 & up

Create a design and use a programmable cutting machine to make a decal for a mug. All materials provided. **REGISTER**
THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 6:30–8:30 PM

To **REGISTER**, go to calendar.vapld.info, call 224-543-1486, or visit any public service desk in the library.
Registration opens 30 days before each program unless noted otherwise.

TEENS • GRADES 6–12

Manga Art Workshop / Maker Monday grades 6–8

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Free Comic Book Day all ages

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SATURDAY, MAY 4, 9 AM UNTIL THEY'RE GONE!

Junior High Book Discussion grades 6–8

Refugee by Alan Gratz. The intertwining stories of a Jewish boy in 1930s Nazi Germany, a Cuban girl trying to escape unrest in 1994, and a Syrian boy whose homeland is torn apart by violence and destruction in 2015. A copy of the book (yours to keep) is reserved when you **REGISTER**.

THURSDAY, MAY 9, 7–8 PM

AP Exam Relief: Love on a Leash grades 9–12

If cramming for the APs has you at the end of your rope, spend time with the therapy cats and dogs from Love on a Leash. A purrfect way to reduce stress and reboot. AP students only, please. **DROP IN**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 6–8 PM

Exam Cram grades 9–12

Hit the books at the library. Study solo or in a group, with extra space, snacks, and extended hours* exclusively for high school students. **DROP IN**

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 12–7 PM*

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 12:30–7 PM*

MONDAY, MAY 20, 3:30–8:30 PM

TUESDAY, MAY 21, 3:30–8:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 1:30–8:30 PM

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1:30–8:30 PM

Junior Volunteers Needed!

Do you love the library? Looking for a way to contribute to your community, develop your skills and talents, and earn service credit for graduation? Apply to be a Junior Volunteer to assist with the Summer Library Club. The Junior Volunteer program is open to students entering grades 7–12 in the fall of 2019.

1 Fill out an online application at guides.vapl.info/teenvolunteers

Applications accepted only Thursday, April 11, 9 AM–Monday, April 15, 9 PM.

2 Volunteers are chosen via lottery from all qualifying applications. If you are selected, you will be notified via email by Friday, April 26.

3 If you're selected, make a 15-minute appointment to schedule your volunteer shifts.

Appointments available:
Sunday, May 5, 12:30–4:30 PM
OR Monday, May 6, 5–8:30 PM

4 After you schedule your volunteer shifts, sign up to attend one of three mandatory training sessions.

Required training sessions (choose 1):
Saturday, May 25, 1:30–3 PM
OR Tuesday, May 28, 6:30–8 PM
OR Wednesday, May 29, 7–8:30 PM

To REGISTER, go to calendar.vapl.info, call 224-543-1486, or visit any public service desk in the library.

Registration opens 30 days before each program unless noted otherwise.

Movie—Mission Impossible: Fallout (PG-13, CC)

The latest installment in the action movie franchise stars Tom Cruise. Closed captions. Popcorn served. **REGISTER**

FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2–4:30 PM

Games for Grownups

Strategy, party, and family games—play them all. Chess lovers, get tips from an instructor. **DROP IN** anytime during hours.

SUNDAYS • 12:30–4 PM

MARCH 3, 24, APRIL 28, MAY 5

ELL Conversation Group

Practice English conversation skills at the library with other non-native English speakers. Guided discussion covers a variety of topics including American culture and idioms.

REGISTER for each date separately.

TUESDAYS • 9:30–11:30 AM

MARCH 5, 19, APRIL 2, 16, 30, MAY 28

Community Volunteer Fair

Nonprofits make a difference in our communities because of dedicated volunteers. Stop in to browse local organizations and find out how you or your teen can contribute locally. More info on page 2 and at vapld.info/volunteerfair. **DROP IN** anytime during hours.

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 1–3:30 PM

Senior Series—Island of Hope

Experience a first-person musical narrative about arriving in America at Ellis Island. Actor Megan Wells and musician Amy Lowe share an immigrant's story. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 1–2 PM

Quilts, Activism & Making Your Mark

Textiles artist Nora Renick Rinehart talks about historic and contemporary quilt projects that combine needlework with activism. Also, learn basic embroidery stitches to help create a collaborative signature quilt. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 6:30–8:30 PM



MARY CASSATT – MARCH 17

Parent Education—Understanding the Teenage Brain

The rational part of a teen's brain isn't fully developed, and won't be until around age 25. Get helpful insights into your teen's development and behavior. Co-sponsored by Community Parent Network (CPN). **REGISTER** on Eventbrite.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 7–8:30 PM

STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL WEST AUDITORIUM

Book Discussion with Judy Levin

Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng. Explores the weight of secrets, the nature of art and identity, and motherhood's ferocious pull. Copies available to Vernon Area Library cardholders starting Feb. 14; ask at the Adult Desk. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 10–11:30 AM

Movie—The Hate U Give (PG-13, CC)

A 16-year-old African American student's life is upended when her friend is killed by a police officer. Based on the Angie Thomas novel. Closed captions. Popcorn served. **REGISTER**

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2–4:45 PM

Mary Cassatt—An American Impressionist in Paris

Cassatt worked as an artist and businesswoman in an age when most women were restricted to the home. Historian Michelle Paluch-Mishur discusses a selection of works and themes from Cassatt's accomplished career. **REGISTER**

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 1–2 PM

ADULTS • AGES 18 & UP



AARP DRIVER SAFETY COURSE – APRIL 16 & 17

Novel Night Book Discussion

If Beale Street Could Talk by James Baldwin. When a pregnant woman's artist boyfriend is wrongfully jailed, their families unite to prove him innocent. Copies available for extended checkout; ask at the Adult Desk. [REGISTER](#)

TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 7–8 PM

Spring Salads & Sides with Chef Susan Maddox

Brighten your dinner table! Chef Maddox demonstrates flavorful recipes using fresh seasonal ingredients. [REGISTER](#)

TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 7–8:30 PM

Lunch & Learn—200 Objects That Made History in Lake & McHenry Counties

Raupp Museum curator Debbie Fandrei explains how significant artifacts and photos illustrate the history of the communities we call home. Bring your lunch starting at noon; coffee and dessert provided. [REGISTER](#)

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 12:30–1:30 PM

Thirsty Thursdays: Books on Tap

If you're in your 20s or 30s and thirsting for intelligent conversation, meet at the Chatterbox for a book discussion over adult beverages and delicious food. Find reading selections and [REGISTER](#) on Meetup: bit.ly/tt-bot.

THURSDAYS • 6–8:30 PM • AGES 21–39 ONLY

MARCH 21, APRIL 25, MAY 16

THE CHATTERBOX, 330 OLD MCHENRY RD., LONG GROVE

Active Shooter Response

The Buffalo Grove Police Department provides guidance for recognizing and responding to active shooter threats. Co-sponsored by the Buffalo Grove Park District, Wheeling Township, and Vernon Township. No registration required.

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1:30–2:30 PM

BUFFALO GROVE PARK DISTRICT, ALCOTT CENTER
530 BERNARD DRIVE, BUFFALO GROVE

Senior Series—Debbie Reynolds, America's Sweetheart

Musical historian Susan Benjamin presents a tribute to Reynolds, who rose from poverty to become one of the most celebrated film stars of her time. Co-sponsored by the Buffalo Grove Park District. [REGISTER](#)

THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 1–2 PM

Movie—*The Wife* (R, CC)

A woman (Glenn Close) questions her life as she travels to Stockholm with her Nobel laureate husband (Jonathan Pryce). Closed captions. Popcorn served. [REGISTER](#)

FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2:30–4:30 PM *NOTE LATER START TIME

Book Discussion with Judy Levin

Lillian Boxfish Takes a Walk by Kathleen Rooney. A remarkable woman is portrayed against the backdrop of a changing America. Copies available to Vernon Area Public Library cardholders starting Mar. 14; ask at the Adult Desk. [REGISTER](#)

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 10–11:30 AM

Lunch & Learn—

A Close-up Look at Tariffs, Treaties & Trade Wars

Go beyond the headlines to separate rhetoric from reality with Arthur Cyr, distinguished professor of political economy and world business at Carthage College. Leave with a better understanding of longstanding U.S. frameworks such as Bretton Woods and NAFTA. Bring your lunch starting at noon; coffee and dessert provided. [REGISTER](#)

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 12:30–1:30 PM

To REGISTER, go to calendar.vapl.info, call 224-543-1485, or visit any public service desk in the library.

Must-Read Nonfiction Book Discussion

Bad Blood: Secrets and Lies in a Silicon Valley Startup by John Carreyrou. The inside story of the rise and fall of biotech startup Theranos. Copies available to Vernon Area Public Library cardholders; ask at the Adult Desk beginning March 15. Registration recommended on Meetup: [meetup.com/Must-read-Nonfiction](https://www.meetup.com/Must-read-Nonfiction).

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 7–8 PM

AARP Driver Safety Course

If you're a driver age 50 or over, refresh your road skills and learn safety tips in this two-session class. Upon completion, drivers may be eligible for an auto insurance discount. Fee: \$15 for AARP members (bring your membership card), \$20 for non-members; payable to AARP at the first session. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 16 & WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 1–5 PM

Movie—*A Star Is Born* (R, CC)

A musician (Bradley Cooper) helps a young singer (Lady Gaga) find fame, even as age and alcoholism send his career into a downward spiral. Closed captions. Popcorn served. **REGISTER**
FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2–4:15 PM

Art Workshop—Embossed Aluminum / Maker Monday

Create a unique work of art. Artist Terri Murphy demonstrates how to emboss designs on antiqued aluminum. No experience necessary. All materials provided. **REGISTER**
MONDAY, APRIL 22, 7–8:30 PM



Make It. Sell It.

Creative entrepreneurship is a great opportunity for anyone who enjoys making things. Learn strategies to sell your handmade goods. You'll also create a cut vinyl design to adhere to a tumbler. Beginners welcome. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 6:30–8 PM

Personal Finance: Fund the Life You Want

Find out why budgeting is the foundation for managing your finances, learn to build a practical budget, and get on the road to the life you dream of. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 6:30–7:30 PM

Plan Early to Pay for Higher Ed

Whether your child is a tot or a tween, learn strategies for getting financially prepared for higher education. Financial adviser Mantas Tautkus discusses the tax advantages and long-term growth potential of college savings funds. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 1–2 PM

I-CASH

The State Treasurer holds \$2.5 billion in unclaimed funds for Illinoisans. Find out if you're one of them and learn to claim what's yours. **DROP IN** anytime during hours.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2–4 PM

Facebook Marketplace

Learn to use this quick and easy tool for selling goods—whether you own a small business or want to host a virtual garage sale. Bring your Facebook login for a hands-on workshop. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 7–8:30 PM

Kid Market

The Meeting Room is transformed into a marketplace where young vendors sell their homemade goods. Stop by to visit with these budding entrepreneurs, shop their products, and help them get their feet wet in the world of business. **DROP IN**

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 1–3 PM

ADULTS • AGES 18 & UP

TEDxVernonAreaLibraryLive

Be among the first to experience the main stage of TED2019, Bigger Than Us. The annual conference is known for introducing the ideas and insights of the world's thought leaders. The library is licensed to screen TED2019's fresh ideas long before they will be available to view online. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 6–8:30 PM

Bump to Baby Expo

For new and expecting parents. See full listing on page 5.

DROP IN

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 10 AM–12 PM

Concert—Souvenir Music from the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893

Music evoking the Midway and the famed White City is performed by music professor Don Meyer and fellow Lake Forest College faculty members including a pianist, violinist, and baritone. **REGISTER**

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2–3 PM

LIBRARY ANNEX

Parent Podcast Discussion—Baby Talk

Raising humans is challenging. Discussing an expert's opinion with other parents can help. See full listing, page 5. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 10–11:30 AM

Senior Citizen Expo Extravaganza

The 19th annual expo is a dynamic one-stop shop for seniors, family members, and caregivers to become familiar with the wide range of services available in our area. Hosted by Friends of the Parks Foundation, Buffalo Grove Park District, and the Village of Buffalo Grove. Free. **DROP IN**

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 10 AM–1:30 PM

ARBORETUM CLUB, 401 HALF DAY RD., BUFFALO GROVE

Snacks & Facts Trivia Night

Test your knowledge of world trivia with a fun-filled quiz night. Sign up individually or in teams up to four people. Refreshments served; prizes awarded. **REGISTER**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 7–8:30 PM • AGES 21+



INSIDE CHICAGO'S INTRIGUING HOUSE MUSEUMS – MAY 14

Movie—Green Book (PG-13, CC)

An African American classical pianist (Mahershala Ali) tours the 1960s American South with his driver, a working-class Italian American (Viggo Mortensen). Closed captions. Popcorn served. **REGISTER**

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2–4:15 PM

Free Comic Book Day all ages

Today only. Limit 1 per person while supplies last. It's also Star Wars Day so after you've grabbed your comic, stay for a themed craft. **DROP IN**

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 9 AM UNTIL THEY'RE GONE!

Senior Series—Concert of Sephardic & Ashkenazi Music

Explore and enjoy the traditional music of these distinctive European Jewish communities with Chicago trio Lamajamal. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MAY 6, 1–2 PM

Book Discussion with Judy Levin

Gateway to the Moon by Mary Morris. An amateur astronomer finds that many of the customs of the Jewish family he babysits for are surprisingly familiar. Copies available to Vernon Area Public Library cardholders starting April 11; ask at the Adult Desk. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MAY 9, 10–11:30 AM

The Shakespeare Project of Chicago Presents *The Roaring Girl*

The professional players of the Shakespeare Project of Chicago present a full, theatrical reading of this comedy by Jacobean playwrights Thomas Middleton and Thomas Dekker. Introduction at 6:15 PM. [REGISTER](#)

MONDAY, MAY 13, 6:30–9 PM

Lunch & Learn— Inside Chicago's Intriguing House Museums

Architectural historian Laurie Petersen discusses the stories behind and shows photos of several residential landmarks including the Glasner Studio and Robie House. Bring your lunch starting at noon; coffee and dessert provided. [REGISTER](#)

TUESDAY, MAY 14, 12:30–1:30 PM

Tour of Historic Vernon Cemetery

Take a walking tour with local history expert Lisa Marie Smith to learn the fascinating stories of notable local residents. Dress for the outdoors and for walking uneven terrain. Meet at the cemetery entrance. [REGISTER](#)

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 1–2 PM

VERNON CEMETERY, 15215 CEMETERY RD., LINCOLNSHIRE

Novel Night Book Discussion

The House of Broken Angels by Luis Alberto Urrea. In a San Diego neighborhood, revelers celebrate the lives of a family patriarch and his mother. Copies available for extended checkout; ask at the Adult Desk. [REGISTER](#)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 7–8 PM



Business Hub

SCORE One-on-One Business Mentoring

Get free expert advice to launch your business or help your small business grow: Vernon Area Public Library is a branch of SCORE Chicago, giving local business people an opportunity to meet with mentors every month, on the second Thursday. Book your 1-hour appointment: vapl.info/score.

THURSDAYS • 9 AM–12 PM
MARCH 14, APRIL 11, MAY 9

Use Your Non-U.S. Degree

Job search advice for highly skilled immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers. This workshop covers key tips and strategies for developing an American-style resume and showcasing your skills in a competitive job market. Presented in partnership with Upwardly Global. [REGISTER](#)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 6:30–7:30 PM

Branding 101

Attend this hands-on session to discover the who, what, and why of your organization to make your branding more targeted and effective. [REGISTER](#)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 6:30–7:30 PM

Intro to Grant Funding & Research

Learn to fund your passion project or propel your nonprofit with Foundation Directory Online, a powerful database you can use for free at the library. [REGISTER](#)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 1–2 PM

To [REGISTER](#), go to calendar.vapl.info, call 224-543-1485, or visit any public service desk in the library.

COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY • AGES 18 & UP

Microsoft Applications

All classes are taught using Office 2016.

Intro to Windows 10

Learn the new features of Windows 10 in this lecture-style class. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 7–8:30 PM

Intermediate Windows 10

Create a desktop icon, access and adjust settings, install and uninstall programs, and get helpful tips and tricks. Prerequisite: Windows 10. **REGISTER**

MONDAY, APRIL 8, 7–8:30 PM

Word Basics

Find out how to create, save, and format documents. Prerequisites: mouse and keyboard experience. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 7–8:30 PM

Word Document Formatting

Learn to create a variety of documents. Prerequisite: Word Basics or commensurate experience. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 7–8:30 PM

Word—Working with Objects

Investigate clip art, picture and text formatting, charts, and other handy tools. Prerequisite: Word Basics.

REGISTER

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 7–8:30 PM

Word Collaboration Tools, Mail Merge & More

Explore mail merge, collaboration tools, and style options. Prerequisite: Word Basics, Excel Basics, or commensurate experience. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 7–8:30 PM

PowerPoint, Ready to Go

Learn all the tools for creating a basic PowerPoint presentation: inserting text and images, basic animations, transitions, and presentation options. Prerequisite: Word Basics or commensurate experience. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 7–8:30 PM

PowerPoint Advanced

Add animations, transitions, and multimedia to your PowerPoint presentation. Prerequisite: PowerPoint, Ready to Go. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 7–8:30 PM

Excel Basics

Everything you need to know to begin creating and using spreadsheets: enter and format data and formulas; print, save, and retrieve spreadsheets. Prerequisite: Word Basics or commensurate experience. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 7–8:30 PM

Excel Formulas & Functions

Ditch your calculator: Use Excel formulas and logical functions to get answers. Also, explore the differences between relative and absolute references. Prerequisite: Excel Basics. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 7–8:30 PM

Excel Charts & Graphs

Add visual interest and tell stories by displaying numbers and data sets in chart or graph format. Prerequisite: Excel Basics. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 7–8:30 PM

Excel Tables

Learn to create tables and pivot tables, sort and filter data, and work with large spreadsheets. Prerequisite: Excel Basics. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MAY 14, 7–8:30 PM

Excel VLOOKUP

Demystify Excel's VLOOKUP function to compare two lists. Prerequisites: Excel Basics, Excel Tables, or commensurate experience. **REGISTER**

TUESDAY, MAY 21, 7–8:30 PM

Excel Pivot Tables

Get hands-on instruction and practice with the pivot table, a powerful tool that lets you organize large amounts of data in a spreadsheet or database to obtain a report. Prerequisites: Excel Basics, Excel Tables, or commensurate experience. **REGISTER**

THURSDAY, MAY 30, 7–8:30 PM

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Registration opens 30 days before each program.

Special Topics

Nerds with Beer

Part philosophy, part tech talk, this monthly meetup for 20- and 30-somethings is loosely centered on technology's influence on our lives. Find topics and RSVP on Meetup: meetup.com/Nerds-with-Beer.

TUESDAYS • 7–8:30 PM • AGES 21–39
MARCH 5, APRIL 9, MAY 7

HALF DAY BREWING
200 VILLAGE GREEN, LINCOLNSHIRE

Speed Up Your PC

Learn to delete unwanted programs, clean up old files, and speed up the browser. Practice on a library computer then try it on yours at home. PCs only; Apple machines not covered. [REGISTER](#)

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 7–8:30 PM

Facebook Marketplace

See Money Smart Week listing, page 13.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 7–8:30 PM

Cut the Cable

Say goodbye to your cable bill. Learn about Roku, Chromecast, Apple TV, and other devices that work with your existing TV and internet connection to stream television and movie services. [REGISTER](#)

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 10:30–12 PM

Computers & Coffee

Enjoy a cup of coffee and instruction followed by hands-on practice with the help of a technology volunteer. The pace is relaxed, with plenty of time for your technology questions. [REGISTER](#)

MONDAYS • 11 AM–12 PM
MARCH 11: BACK TO BASICS
APRIL 8: SPEED UP YOUR PC
MAY 13: INTERNET BASICS

Multimedia

Library Media Lab—Digitize Your Photos & Videos

Convert photos, slides, negatives, VHS, or DVDs to digital formats. [REGISTER](#)

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 7–8:30 PM
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 10–11:30 AM
FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 10–11:30 AM
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 10–11:30 AM
WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 10–11:30 AM

Photo Editing with GIMP

Learn to edit photos with GIMP, a free alternative to Photoshop. [REGISTER](#)

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 7–8:30 PM

Intro to 3D Printing

Create a small object using ready-to-print files or custom Tinkercad files. Prerequisites: basic computer skills and a Vernon Area Library card. [REGISTER](#)

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 7–8:30 PM

3D Printing Next Steps

Use Tinkercad and other tools to create custom designs for 3D printing. Prerequisites: intermediate computer and mouse skills and a Vernon Area Library card. [REGISTER](#)

THURSDAY, MAY 9, 7–8:30 PM

Silhouette Cameo

The Cameo is a programmable machine that precision-cuts a variety of materials.

Personalized Mugs / Maker Monday

Create a vinyl decal to decorate a mug. All materials provided. [REGISTER](#)

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 6:30–8 PM

Open Workshops

Get limited assistance with the Cameo while working on your own project. Bring your own materials. [REGISTER](#)

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 12–1:30 PM

& OR MONDAY, APRIL 29, 6:30–8 PM / MAKER MONDAY

Glass Etching / Maker Monday

Learn to create a monogrammed or decorated glass object. Bring a glass vase, platter, or bowl to etch. [REGISTER](#)

MONDAY, MAY 13, 6:30–8 PM



One-on-One Tech Help

Book a 45-minute appointment with a librarian to get personal technology help—with the library website, catalog, or premium resources; downloading e-books, audiobooks, magazines, movies, or music; computer software; or the Media Lab. A reservation and current Vernon Area Public Library card are required. To request an appointment (up to 2 per month), call 224-543-1485 or fill out the form at vapl.info/devicehelp.

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⌚ Hours

Monday–Thursday	9 AM–9 PM
Friday & Saturday	9 AM–5 PM
Sunday	12–5 PM

📅 Closings

April 5	9 AM–1 PM (staff training)
April 21	Easter
May 26–27	Memorial Day

📍 Location & Contact

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Preschool fun

Storytimes and other enriching activities for little ones and their people; see listings on pages 3–5.